

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

(1) Please cancel claims 1-17 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter thereof.

(2) Please add new claims 18-37.

Claims 1-17 (canceled).

Claim 18 (New): An underwater propulsion system for propelling a user through the water, comprising:

a harness having a plurality of interconnected and removable slings;

at least one watertight container attachable to said harness, wherein said watertight container being adapted to receive a removable power source;

at least one motorized propulsion module removably attachable to said harness, wherein said motorized propulsion module being electrically connected to said power source; and

a watertight switch electrically connected to said power source and said motorized propulsion module.

Claim 19 (New): The underwater propulsion system as set fourth in claim 18, wherein said slings of said harness feature multiple apertures adapted to receive a fastener therethrough.

Claim 20 (New): The underwater propulsion system as set fourth in claim 18 further comprising a watertight box for enclosing the electrical connections of said power source, said switch, and said motorized propulsion module, wherein said box being removably attachable to said harness.

Claim 21 (New): The underwater propulsion system as set fourth in claim 18, wherein said watertight container further comprising at least one connection lead.

Claim 22 (New): The underwater propulsion system as set fourth in claim 18 further comprising a coupling, said coupling being removably connected to said water tight container and said harness.

Claim 23 (New): The underwater propulsion system as set fourth in claim 18, wherein said watertight container features an open top, a seal located adjacent said open top, and a lid adapted to cover said open top and said seal to produce a watertight connection.

Claim 24 (New): The underwater propulsion system as set fourth in claim 18, wherein said water container further comprising at least two watertight electrical connectors which are connected to said power source received therein and to an exterior watertight electrical connection.

Claim 25 (New): The underwater propulsion system as set fourth in claim 18 further comprising a gap connector for connecting at least two watertight containers together.

Claim 26 (New): The underwater propulsion system as set fourth in claim 25, wherein said gap connector has a V-shaped slide for receiving accessories having a corresponding V-shaped connection.

Claim 27 (New): The underwater propulsion system as set fourth in claim 19, wherein said motorized propulsion module being adapted to receive said fastener for securing said propulsion module to said harness.

Claim 28 (New): The underwater propulsion system as set fourth in claim 18, wherein said switch being secured to said user via a strap.

Claim 29 (New): The underwater propulsion system as set fourth in claim 28, wherein said switch is contoured to be comfortably received against the palm of the user when said strap is wrapped around the back of the hand to secure said switch to the palm.

Claim 30 (New): An underwater propulsion system, comprising:

a harness adapted to be worn on the body of a user, said harness having a plurality of interconnected and removable slings, wherein said slings features at least one fastening aperture;

at least one watertight container having at least two connection leads located on the exterior surface of said container, said watertight

container being adapted to receive a removable power source therein;

at least one motorized propulsion module removably attachable to said harness, said motorized propulsion module being electrically connected to said power source;

a watertight switch electrically connected to said power source and said motorized propulsion module; and

a watertight box for enclosing the electrical connections of said power source, said switch, and said motorized propulsion module, said box being removably attachable to said harness.

Claim 31 (New): The underwater propulsion system as set fourth in claim 30 further comprising a coupling having a first member and a second member, said first and second members each having a first end adapted to be removably connected to said connection leads of said watertight container, and a second end adapted to be removably connected to said other member of said coupling, thereby encircling the user.

Claim 32 (New): The underwater propulsion system as set fourth in claim 30, wherein said watertight container features an open top, an O-ring seal located adjacent said open top, and a lid adapted to cover said open top and said seal to produce a watertight connection.

Claim 33 (New): The underwater propulsion system as set fourth in claim 30, wherein said water container further comprising at least two watertight electrical connectors which are electrically connected to said power source received therein and to an exterior watertight electrical connection.

Claim 34 (New): The underwater propulsion system as set fourth in claim 30 further comprising a gap connector for connecting at least two watertight containers together.

Claim 35 (New): The underwater propulsion system as set fourth in claim 30, wherein said gap connector has a V-shaped slide for receiving accessories having a corresponding V-shaped connection.

Claim 36 (New): An underwater propulsion system, comprising:

- a harness adapted to be releasably worn on the body of a user, said harness having a plurality of interconnected and removable slings, wherein said slings features a plurality of fastening apertures;
- a plurality of watertight containers having an open top, an O-ring seal located adjacent said open top, at least two connection leads located on the exterior surface of said container, and a lid adapted to cover said open top and said seal to produce a watertight connection;
- a power source having electrical contacts, said power source being adapted to be received within said watertight container;
- a gap connector having at least two end sections configured to be removable attached to said connection leads of said watertight containers, whereby multiple watertight containers can be interconnect together to form an array;
- a coupling having a first member and a second member, said first and second members each having a first end adapted to be removably connected to said connection lead of said watertight container, and a second end adapted to be removably connected to the other member of said coupling, wherein said first ends of said first and second members are connected to the open connection leads of said array of watertight connectors and then said second ends of said first and second member are connected to each other to encircle the user;
- at least one motorized propulsion module removably attachable to said harness, said motorized propulsion module being adapted to receive said fastener for securing said propulsion module to said harness,

said motorized propulsion module being electrically connected to said power source;

a watertight switch electrically connected to said power source and said motorized propulsion module, said switch having a strap for securing said switch to the user; and

a watertight box for enclosing the electrical connections of said power source, said switch, and said motorized propulsion module, said box being removably attachable to said harness.

Claim 37 (New): The underwater propulsion system as set fourth in claim 36, wherein said gap connector has a V-shaped slide for receiving accessories having a corresponding V-shaped connection.